

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2010
6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bostic called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Allen Shelton, Darrin McGowan, Mike Buckley, Bill Goins, and Cindy Humphrey answering role call. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, Melissa Conrad, *Rushville Republican*, and Mike Selke, WIFE Radio.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the August 3, 2010 meeting were presented for approval. Shelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Bostic reported:

- ❖ There will be a new restaurant opening in the Wal-Mart shopping center. They will be serving Mediterranean and Italian food.
- ❖ Bids were opened for the new water tower. Two bids were received and are being reviewed.
- ❖ Reminder of the joint meeting of the Eastern Indiana Development District on August 26th from 11:30-1:30 at the New Castle Library. The purpose of the meeting is to get input on how they can help the communities. RSVP need to be in by the 23rd to Sarah at 765-521-0931. Goins said if anyone would like to carpool to let him know.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * * *

Copley said she received word today that there will be additional revenues cut next year. The Edit revenue will be cut by approximately \$41,500.00, and the general fund revenues will be down by approximately \$107,000.00. She informed Council that they will need to make further cuts.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT * * * *

Goins said he would like to thank R.L. Coon and all the departments that helped to clean out Hodges Branch. He said this has not been done since the early 70's and that it was done for better water flow. It had nothing to do with the Park Restaurant.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Police – Cameron said they are getting ready to hook up the computer equipment for the levee.

Fire – The Board of Works approved the contract for the lighting grant.

Street – Miller stated that they also replaced some of the pipes in Hodges Branch.

Animal – Nickel said they will be having an open house September 25. They will have clinics on nail care and obedience.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

George Yazel – Yazel asked why the bow ordinance was being introduced. McGowan said he had a concern from a citizen that wanted to know if there was an ordinance against shooting bows in the City limits. Yazel asked if there was any data collected regarding any incidences, such as police calls, injuries, or damage to property. McGowan said he had not done any research, but had asked Wilson to prepare a proposed ordinance if there was not one on the books. Yazel said he had done some research and passed out a copy of his findings.

Mark Fields – Fields also said that he was opposed to the bow ordinance. He said that if bows were being shot in a careless manner then it would be a criminal offense. Fields said this ordinance would cause havoc for his business.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

Yard Sale Regulations – Council received a copy of a proposed ordinance regulating yard sales. Shelton said he thought this was a good ordinance. Humphrey stated she thought there would be a problem with citizens actually getting a permit. She suggested looking at this situation similar to an abandon vehicle. The yard sales could be based on a formal complaint. People could be allowed 4 sales a year for a period of 3 days each. If they went over then they would be advised and fined.

Shelton made a motion to approve the proposed yard sale ordinance. Motion died for lack of second.

Humphrey said she had contacted the Department of Revenue and was waiting on a response.

Bostic asked if Council wished to table the matter. Goins said to send the matter back to the committee. Buckley agreed.

2011 Budget – Another budget workshop will be set up with the Department Heads. Council members are to e-mail Copley with dates they can meet. She passed out additional proposed cuts of \$31,229.00 and asked Council how they wanted to act on the cuts. Council agreed with the cuts, but said to pass them on to the Department Heads for review.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Ordinance Regarding Discharging Hunting & Cross Bows in City Limits

– McGowan asked how many in the audience were opposed to the implementation of the ordinance. Several raised their hands. He then asked how many were in favor of the ordinance. No one raised their hand. McGowan said it was his opinion that Council not act on the ordinance. Bostic said in approximately 40 years the Police Department has not received any complaints regarding the discharge of bows in the City limits.

Claims – Humphrey made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Air Evac – John Gott asked permission to talk to each of the departments regarding memberships. Bostic said he had his permission to go to the departments and talk to the employees.

There was no further business to come before Council, Goins made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR

ALLEN W. SHELTON, MEMBER

DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

MICHAEL BUCKLEY, MEMBER

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WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER

